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Beach Street Station hosts community toy drive

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At a time of giving, Beach Street Station and its staff are hoping to spread extra cheer to local families this year by hosting a community toy drive.

Teaming up with Labatt in support of the Salvation Army, all toy collected will bring extra joy to local children and families this holiday season.

"As a young family ourselves, this is something that means a lot to us," said Adam Marshall, owner of Beach Street Station.

"We know how special this time of year is through the eyes of children, and we want to do our part to make the season a little brighter for those who need some support."

On Sunday, November 29, guests who bring a new, unwrapped toy will receive their very own personalised Stella Artois glass as a thank you.

An engraver will be on site to customise each glass, creating a keepsake or to use as a special gift this Christmas and holiday season.

There will also be a special roast beef dinner available, $5 drafts of Stella and live music featuring local musician Matthew Hussey.

Marshall expresses gratefulness to Labatt for partnering with Beach Street Station to bring this event to life.

"We hope the community will come out and be a part of it," added Marshall.

The Salvation Army is welcoming toys for children of all ages, but this year there is a particular need for gifts for older children, especially those aged eight and up.

Personalised glasses are available while quantities last.

Join Beach Street Station on Sunday, November 29 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. to help spread some extra cheer.



(MACKENZIE TERENZI PHOTO)

Cheque of $9,055 presented to AMGH Foundation's MRI campaign. (Back row, L-R): Crystal Brennan-Yeo, Finola MacGinty, Evie Shand, Kelly Richards, Marianne Hogan, Eleanor Robnson, Warren Robinson and Brenda Couture. (Front, L-R): Rev. Anthony Lobo, Brenda Teichert, Laura Herman (AMGH), Maggie Grace, Alexa Yeo, Lili Glen, and Rev. Timothy Etsenamhe.

Music for Magnetic Moments concert raises over $9,000 for MRI campaign

KATHLEEN SMITH

Editor

The spirit of giving was strong during the Music for Magnetic Moments concert held at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Goderich on October 23.

With an original aim to raise around $5,000, when the concert ended and funds were tallied, it was announced a total of $8,900 was raised. As people were leaving, audience members donated more to pass the $9,000 mark.

Organised by 16-year-old local musician Alexa Yeo, the evening will also feature performances by Yeo, along with Hearthstone and Maggie Grace.

Alexa wishes to thank the Goderich and surrounding community for their outstanding support, both in attending the concert and with their generous donations. Alexa was overwhelmed from the generosity of those in attendance.

"The evening was a success because of all the amazing people who came together to make it happen," said Alexa.

Nearly 180 attended the evening musical fundraiser.

"I was so thankful for the community, for their generosity and for the musicians and everyone else who helped make this night happen," stated Alexa.

Contributing to something so meaningful and needed

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Music for Magnetic Moments concert raises over $9,000 for MRI campaign

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in this community, Alexa felt like she was doing her part to help.

"It made me feel like I was doing my part in that maybe me doing this, could benefit so many lives in the long run," Alexa added.

Alexa also extends her appreciation to all the musicians – Maggie Grace, Hearthstone and Lili Glen – who shared the stage with her, as well as the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes, who hosted the concert and Brendan Couture for donating his time and equipment for audio.

Others who helped make the evening a success were Warren and Eleanor Robinson – founders of the Celtic Festival - who hosted the rehearsals in their home, and Alexa's mother Crystal who helped organise the event.

MicroAge Basics printed the posted, and Kimberley Payne, Executive Director of the AMGH Foundation helped coordinate for this event.

Alexa is incredibly grateful for all who stepped up to make this event a success, including Mackenzie Terenzi, a volunteer taking photos of the concert.

An evening of local talent and music has led to a sizeable donation to the MRI campaign, making a difference with local healthcare.



(MACKENZIE TERENZI PHOTO)

Finola MacGinty, Evie Shand, Kelly Richards, Marianne Hogan.



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Alexa Yeo.

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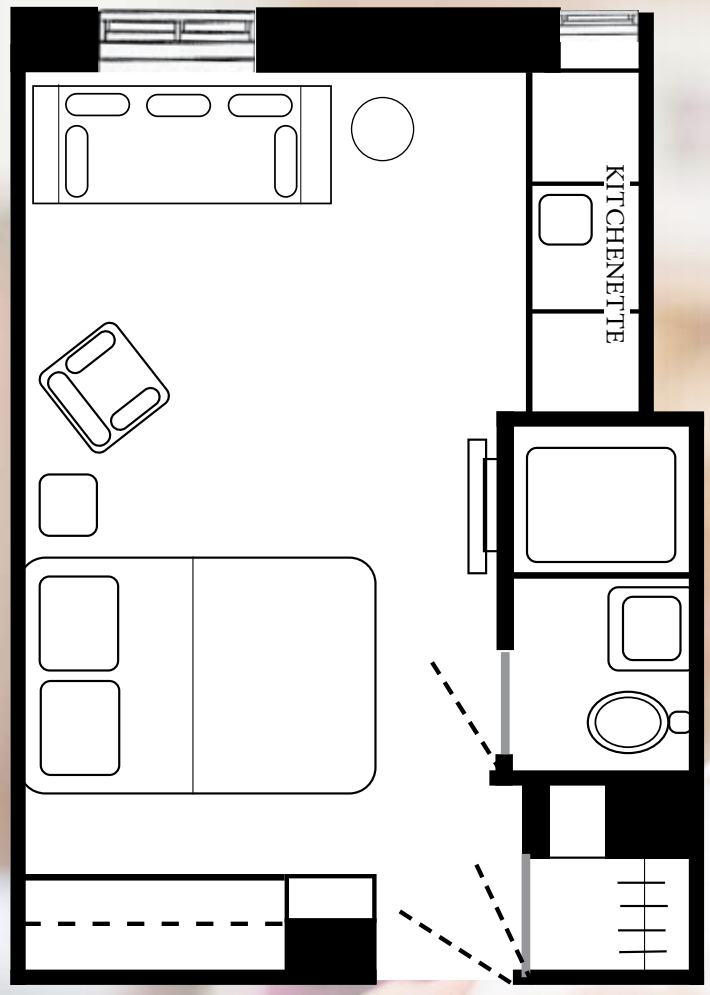
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Spirit of Success Awards finalists announced

COLIN CARMICHAEL

Sun Contributor

Huron Chamber of Commerce announced the 35 finalists for the 2026 Spirit of Success Awards gala, presented by OLG.

This year's program attracted 132 nominations across 10 award categories, reflecting the community's enthusiasm for recognising the businesses and organisations that help Huron County thrive.

Representing a broad range of industries, the finalists range from agriculture and manufacturing to hospitality, retail and professional services.

Several finalists have earned recognition in more than one category, highlighting the many ways local businesses contribute to their communities.

Award recipients will be revealed at the gala on Wednesday, November 18 at Blyth Memorial Community Hall. Celebrity emcee Roland Archer, host of the morning show on Shoreline Classics, will guide guests through an evening celebrating the achievements, ideas and people behind Huron County's business community.

Meet the 2026 Finalists

Agriculture Sector Award:

Celebrating achievement in agriculture and agribusiness, and contributions to a thriving agricultural community.

Meeting Place Organic Farm

Ruetz Country Market

Manufacturing Sector Award:

Honouring manufacturing excellence and investment in products, people and the local economy.

- Jokey North America Inc.
- Syfilco Ltd.

Community Impact Award:

Honouring meaningful contributions that bring people together and create lasting benefits for Huron County communities.

- Canadian Tire Exeter
- Huron County Food Bank Distribution Centre
- Royal Canadian Legion Branch 109
- Steve and Mary's on the Square

Retail Sector Award:

Celebrating retailers that serve their customers and communities through excellent business practices and shopping experiences.

- Blake's Consignment
- Pick a Posie Vintage
- The Run Parlour

New Business Award:

Celebrating businesses opened within the past 18 months that have established a promising start in Huron County.

- AHS of Exeter
- Enter Designs
- R.G. Wellness and Care
- The artisan crafters market
- The Itty Bitty Yarn Boutique
- The Tidy Purser: Bookkeeping and Business Solutions

Hospitality Sector Award:

Honouring hospitality businesses that combine excellent operation with welcoming, memorable guest experiences and community involvement.

- Coastal Coffee
- Comfort Inn and Suites Goderich
- Maple Leaf Motel
- Rukatuks Caribbean Restaurant
- Samuels Hotel Inc.
- Steve and Mary's on the Square
- White Carnation Banquet Hall and Catering

Customer Service Award:

Celebrating attentive, professional service and a commitment to helping customers and clients.

- AGPC Chartered Professional Accountants
- AHS of Exeter
- BYOB Bulk Food and Eatery
- G Nails Spa
- Great Lakes Mechanical
- Hyundai of Goderich
- West Street Willy's Eatery
- White Carnation Banquet Hall and Catering

Service Sector Award:

Honouring service businesses for expertise, sound operations and dedication to their clients.

- KingsCrownDetailing
- McLlwain Powerblades Skating and Skills Development
- P -ZAZZ SALON AND SPA
- Small Town Paralegal

Outstanding Employer Award:

Honouring employers who invest in their people and create supportive, rewarding places to work.

- General Coach Canada
- Meeting Place Organic Farm
- The McCann Group

Innovation Award:

Celebrating new ideas and approaches that improve an organisation, enhance customer experiences or open new opportunities.

- Pick a Posie Vintage
- Rukatuks Caribbean Restaurant

The November 18 gala begins with a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception at 6:30 p.m. followed by the awards presentation in the upstairs theatre at 7:30 p.m.

This is an opportunity to dress up, connect with fellow community members and share in the excitement as this year's recipients are announced.

The Chamber is also pleased to announce a new partnership with Cowbell Brewing. Spirit of Success ticket holders are eligible for 10 per cent off dinner at Cowbell on the night of the awards. Guests can enjoy dinner before heading to the gala – just present your Spirit of Success ticket to receive the discount.

Gala tickets are $65 for Chamber members and $85 for non-members. Colleagues, customers, friends and family are all invited to join the celebration and cheer on this year's finalists.

Get tickets at hcoc.ca/sos26

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Municipal Election: Town of Goderich election results

KATHLEEN SMITH

Editor

Voters in Goderich cast their ballots on October 26 in the 2026 Municipal Election, and the results are in.

According to the results, there won't be much change for the next council term in the Town of Goderich.

Incumbent Mayor Trevor Bazinet, along with incumbent councillors Liz Petrie, Vanessa McMillan and John Thompson will return for another term on council. Joining them will be newly elected councillors Jacob Bjerg and Chris Garnier. Deputy Mayor was acclaimed by Randy Carroll prior to the election.

With only 47.9 per cent of eligible voters taking part in the municipal election in Goderich, the unofficial results were posted last night via Simply Voting Inc.

Taking 84.1 per cent of the vote, incumbent Mayor Trevor Bazinet will serve as Mayor of Goderich once again.

Surrounded by friends and family while the results came in last night, Mayor Trevor Bazinet felt gratitude and felt emotional that the residents of Goderich placed confidence in him this election.

"To receive 3,098 votes – almost 85 per cent of the votes cast – is truly incredible," remarked Bazinet.

"I am humbled by the confidence you have placed in me, and I will never take your trust for granted. Thank you to everyone who voted, put up a sign, knocked on doors, shared a post, or encouraged



me along the way."

Filling the position of mayor once again, Bazinet wants residents of Goderich to understand that he will not use the Strong Mayor Powers, and remains committed to leadership with council.

"I believe in teamwork, collaboration and making decisions together," added Bazinet.

"Goderich elected seven members of council, and I believe every member deserves to have their voice heard and their vote respected. I was elected mayor but not elected to lead alone."

Of the nine candidates running for a councillor position, the following five were voted in: Liz Petrie (20.1 per cent of the vote), Vanessa McMillan (13.1 per cent), John Thompson (13.1 per cent), Jacob Bjerg (12.5 per cent) and Chris Garnier (10.6 per cent).

Election results still need to be certified, but early numbers suggest voter turnout was under 50 per cent, with a total of 3,841 of 8,017 electors taking part.

Some comments on social media from residents suggested the online voting system may have deterred voters from taking part this election.

Yet, based on the unofficial results posted last night, those who did participate in casting their ballot were quite clear on who they wanted to represent at council.

According to Bazinet, the past two years serving as mayor has reminded him how special this community is, and Bazinet says he is keen to get started on the next four years working together and building a stronger future for Goderich.

"Goderich is my home," Bazinet stated.

"I was born and raised here, and there is nowhere else I would rather be. Serving this community is one of the greatest privileges of my life, and I am so proud to have the opportunity to continue."

In other election news, Robert Hunking was voted as the Avon Maitland District School Board Trustee (English Public), and Alanna Fitzpatrick was voted in as the Huron Perth Catholic District School Board Trustee (English Separate).

Inauguration of the new Goderich Council is set for November 17 in the Council Chambers at Town Hall.

Clinton Public Hospital Auxiliary prepares for Gift of Lights

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Trees will be lit on Friday, November 27 for Clinton Public Hospital's 'Gift of Lights', radiating throughout the Christmas and holiday season.

Located on the CPH front entrance and trees located across the street, the lights are meant to honour many memories of individuals and families or as a gift.

Donations towards the 'Gift of Lights' honours those individuals.

Over the years, donations to the 'Gift of Lights' have assisted in the purchase of many new items and equipment that were needed and utilised by staff at CPH.

By purchasing a ticket towards the 'Gift of Lights', it not only honours lost ones, missed ones, or loved ones, but it provides a gift that continues to give to the community by supporting CPH.

On Friday, November 27 join CPH Auxiliary at 6:30 p.m. to celebrate this event. All are invited.

There will be entertainment, free draw prizes and refreshments.

The purchase of a ticket or tickets helps the trees shine brightly and honours special people past and present.

Tickets can be purchased from Auxiliary members or at CPH Admitting.

Any donation of $20 or more will be given a tax receipt.



Maitland Valley Family Health Team celebrates two decades of care close to home

KATHLEEN SMITH

Editor

Since incorporating in October 2006, Maitland Valley Family Health Team (MVFHT) has grown into an essential primary care anchor for Goderich.

Marking 20 years of comprehensive healthcare in Goderich, the MVFHT has continually adapted to meet the evolving needs of the local community.

In October, the MVFHT gathered staff, practitioners, and supporters to celebrate two decades of care close to home.

The event was rooted in celebrating 20 years of excellent primary care and included a staff presentation and 20-year service pin recognitions honouring five dedicated individuals for two decades of service.

Those recognised were Dr. Stan Spacek, Dr. Kim Spacek, Dr. Hilary Watson, Karen Mathonia and Dr. Michael Dawson.

Drawing both provincial and municipal leaders to the celebratory event, the MVFHT was reminded by warm accolades of its vital care its staff have provided for 20 years.

Lisa Thompson, MPP Huron-Bruce was honoured to attend and congratulate the team for this milestone.

"For two decades, your team has played an important role in helping local residents access the care, guidance and services they need," wrote MPP Thompson.



(CONTRIBUTED PHOTO)

Twenty-year service recipients at MVFHT were Dr. Kim Spacek, Dr. Michael Dawson, Dr. Stan Spacek, Karen Mathonia and Dr. Hilary Watson.

"Your commitment, compassion and teamwork make a meaningful difference in the lives of the people you serve…your continued dedication to local healthcare helps build healthier, stronger communities, and I congratulate the entire team on this outstanding anniversary."

Mayor Trevor Bazinet also toured the facility alongside Amanda Beddow, Executive Director, calling the clinic a wonderful community resource.

He noted how fortunate Goderich is to have a facility supporting local well-being across so many areas of care.

Over the last two decades, MVFHT expanded its model to combine family physicians, nurse practitioners, and allied health professionals under one roof. This has allowed the team to expand programs to directly match changing community health demands.

Currently, the clinic offers extensive chronic disease management through dedicated Diabetes Education and Cardiac Rehabilitation programs, while supporting mental health and wellness via counseling services and Memory Clinics.

Patients can also benefit from specialised clinical services that are developed based on the changing needs of the community, including menopause clinics, foot care, and community-focused preventative care such as tobacco cessation assistance, and healthy aging fitness programs.

As needs change, MVFHT remains committed to evolving its services.

During the tour of the facility during the celebratory event, Beddow highlighted an important resource for residents currently travelling long distances for healthcare.

Through Ontario's Health Care Connect program, patients can register to find a family doctor or nurse practitioner closer to home while staying connected to their current provider during the search.

Residents can register online via the Health Care Connect portal, and a program coordinator will reach out once a local match is available.

Gateway Webinar: Rural men's cancer risk, screening and community supports

LILY RIDEOUT

Sun Contributor

Gateway Centre of Excellence in Rural Health (CERH) is hosting an upcoming free webinar series event on Tuesday, November 17, 2026, from 12 – 1 p.m. via ZOOM on "Rural Men's Cancer Risk, Screening and Community Supports."

This session will explore the updated cancer screening guidelines, how cancer care is facilitated in rural areas, and the need to increase screening among rural men.

The keynote speaker for this discussion is Dr. Tom McFarlane. McFarlane is Clinical Associate Professor and researcher at the University of Waterloo School of Pharmacy in Kitchener, Ontario, where he created, coordinates, and teaches the oncology portion of the curriculum in the Doctor of Pharmacy program.

Anyone in the community is welcome to attend. To attend this event and future presentations, please register: https://tinyurl.com/2v5bw547

For more information, contact:



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Dr. Tom McFarlane will be the speaker at the Nov. 17 Gateway Webinar on rural men's cancer risk.

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Gateway hosts Talk Ask Listen workshop at Cowbell to keep farming strong

LILY RIDEOUT

Sun Contributor

Farming takes a team, and looking out for one another is an important part of keeping that team strong.

Gateway Centre of Excellence in Rural Health is hosting a free Talk Ask Listen workshop on Saturday, November 28, at Cowbell Brewing Co.

The workshop will bring farmers and others in agriculture together to learn practical ways to check in with one another and strengthen everyday communication.

Developed by The Do More Agriculture Foundation, Talk Ask Listen helps participants build confidence in recognizing when someone may be having a hard time, listening without judgment, and connecting them with helpful resources.

The skills can be used at home, on the farm, and throughout the agricultural community.

Farmers, farm families, and agricultural professionals are encouraged to attend. Consider bringing a friend, loved one, or coworker to learn these skills together.

The workshop runs from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., with a complimentary breakfast provided. Registration closes November 13.

Email julia.w@gatewayruralhealth.ca to register.

For more information visit www.gatewayruralhealth.ca

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Mayor Bazinet presented with 2026 Isotope Catalyst Award at Clean Energy Frontier Conference

KATHLEEN SMITH

Editor

Clean energy matters because it touches virtually every aspect of community life.

Reliable and affordable electricity supports businesses, hospitals, schools, farms and households. Clean energy helps drive economic development while reducing environmental impacts.

Organised by the Nuclear Innovation Institute (NII), and part of the Bruce Power Nexus Research Centre, the Clean Energy Frontier Conference celebrates individuals, teams and organisations advancing clean energy innovation, economic growth and community engagement across Huron, Bruce and Grey counties.

As a result of his leadership in supporting the isotope industry and advancing regional collaboration, Mayor Trevor Bazinet was presented the 2026 Isotope Catalyst Award at the Clean Energy Frontier Conference in October.

This award is designed to recognise a partner of the Southwestern Ontario Isotope Coalition who demonstrates unwavering support for the industry, shows strong leadership in advancing its growth and champions collaboration.

Bazinet says when he first became involved in conversations surrounding medical isotopes and the work being done at Bruce Power, he didn't fully appreciate how significant an opportunity this would become for the region.

"I remember hearing James Scongack speak at the first Clean Energy Frontier conference three years ago and I immediately approached him after and told him I wanted o learn more and be involved, and asked him to come to Goderich," Bazinet remembered.

His mother, father-in-law and brother-in-law all passed away from cancer, and Bazinet felt this was an opportunity to work and build relationships with brilliant people and learn to help make a difference.

Bazinet says the work being done through isotope production and nuclear innovation is making a real difference in lives, both here and around the world.

"To be associated with that work is incredibly meaningful," Bazinet stated.

"I am grateful for the partnerships that have made this progress possible, and I'm inspired to continue supporting initiatives that create positive outcomes for our communities."

Bazinet recognises James Scongack, Jessica Linthorne and the entire team at Bruce Power and the NII for their leadership, vision and willingness to collaborate. He is proud that Goderich has a voice at the table and looks forward to what can be accomplished together.

Recently re-elected in the 2026 Municipal Election provides Bazinet an opportunity to continue building on the progress already made and strengthen that partnership supporting clean energy development.

Bazinet says he remains fully committed to working with organisations such as Bruce Power, the NII, Indigenous partners, neighbouring municipalities and all levels of government to advance opportunities that benefit the region.



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Mayor Trevor Bazinet recently received an award at the Clean Energy Frontier conference in October. (L-R): Mayor of Saugeen Shores and Warden of Bruce County, Luke Charbonneau, Mayor Trevor Bazinet, Nuclear Innovation Institute Vice President of Operations and Head of Policy, Stellina Williams, and Bruce Power Director, Community and External Affairs, Maggie Tieman.

"I am a strong advocate for clean energy because I have seen firsthand the positive impact it has on our communities," said Bazinet.

"It creates jobs, attracts investment, supports local businesses, funds community initiatives, and helps provide a cleaner and more sustainable future."

Clean energy is not only an environmental priority, but also an economic development strategy and a community-building strategy.

The Huron, Bruce and Grey counties have an opportunity to lead, and Bazinet believes this leadership role should be embraced with confidence and optimism.

Mayor Bazinet is an active member and engages with the Southwestern Ontario Isotope Coalition. He has built partnerships that position Southwestern Ontario as a leader in isotope innovation and clean energy.

According to the NII, Bazinet's work aligns with the award's intent to spotlight leaders who foster cross-sector collaboration, strengthen the regional clean energy ecosystem, and advance the isotope industry's role in the Clean Energy Frontier.

The Isotope Catalyst Award recognises a partner who demonstrates unwavering support for the isotope industry, advances its growth and champions collaboration to create meaningful impact.

For the NII, Mayor Trevor Bazinet understands that meaningful progress happens through partnership and collaboration.

"He is an active and engaged leader, having helped inform key actions of the Southwestern Ontario Isotope Coalition and champions the partnerships helping position southwestern Ontario as a leader in isotope innovation," explained Jessica Linthorne, President and CEO NII.

With Bazinet's recent re-election to serve as Mayor of Goderich, Linthorne and the NII are confident Bazinet can use his position to help strengthen the Clean Energy Frontier region through his leadership.

"Mayor Bazinet consistently helps through his advocacy and is a tremendous champion for the clean energy work happening here," added Linthorne.

Clean Energy Frontier Program co-chairs, Warden Luke Charbonneau, Stellina Williams and Maggie Tieman congratulate all the recipients this year, whose leadership, collaboration and commitment are making a meaningful difference.

"From advancing clean energy innovation and economic development to strengthen our communities, their contributions are helping build a strong, more resilient future for the Clean Energy Frontier region," said Charbonneau.

The conference brings together industry professionals, government officials, educators, community leaders and innovators to discuss efforts in clean energy development.

It is a meeting point for the nuclear sector, which provides nearly one-third of Ontario's clean, reliable electricity, and for initiatives like the Bruce C Project that aims to meet the growing demand with safe, low-carbon power.

According to NII, the Clean Energy Frontier region supports more than 27,000 jobs, municipal tax revenue and a significant share of Ontario's clean energy supply.

The conference provides a space to foster investment attraction, advocacy skills and local economic planning, while recognising outstanding contributions through the awards portion of the conference.

Through keynote addresses, workshops and panel discussions, the conference enables cross-sector dialogue on scientific innovation, policy alignment, and practical solutions for regional challenges.

The conference remains essential for aligning Canada's clean energy ambitions with local economic and community benefits.

According to Bazinet, this conference is so valuable because it brings together government leaders, municipal leaders, educators, researchers, economic development professionals, Indigenous communities and members of the supply chain.

"Those conversations are critical because advancing nuclear innovation and clean energy requires collaboration, not siloed thinking," remarked Bazinet.

"This conference creates a unique environment where ideas can be shared, partnerships can be built, and opportunities can be identified. It showcases how nuclear innovation is contributing not only to clean electricity, but also to medical isotopes, economic development, workforce growth and energy security."

For this region, the conference is an opportunity to highlight the leadership role played in Canada's clean energy future.

Thanks to the contributions of nuclear power, Ontario is home to one of the lowest carbon-emitting electricity grids in the world. This baseload electricity means reliable, around-the-clock power for Ontario homes, businesses and industry.

According to Linthorne, clean energy growth is essential. Ontario's electricity demand is expected to increase by 65 per cent over the next 25 years. New nuclear projects like Bruce C are key to meeting the province's growing demand.

The theme of this year's conference was 'It Starts Here', exploring how the world that happens in Huron, Bruce and Grey counties (Clean Energy Frontier region) brings benefits to communities. This includes clean, reliable electricity and production of life-saving isotopes.

Economic benefits include $22 billion in GDP contributions to the Canadian economy, 27,000 good-paying jobs and municipal tax revenue added to Ontario's communities.

In the region, Bruce Power employs more than 4,000 workers and supports thousands of additional jobs through its network of contractors and suppliers, with nearly 60 suppliers in the region.

With Bruce Power supplying nearly one-third of Ontario's electricity through nuclear innovation, it is incredibly important to continue developing clean energy.

As Ontario's population grows and electricity demands continue to increase, the province will need reliable, affordable and emissions-free sources of energy.

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Officers from Huron County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachment were on hand in Goderich to help kick off the annual Project Red Ribbon campaign on November 3, an annual awareness campaign to promote sober driving during the holiday season.

During the kickoff, approximately 200 vehicles passed through the checkpoint, and everyone was found to be driving sober.

Officers along with volunteers from the Huron-Bruce Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) chapter were in Goderich to kick off the campaign, creating awareness and detecting potential impaired drivers.

Sergeant Russ Nesbitt from Huron County OPP says drivers should expect to see enhanced patrols and RIDE checks during the festive season.

"Driving sober is always the right choice," stressed Sergeant Nesbitt.

"If you choose to drink or use rugs, call a taxi, phone a friend, stay the night or have some other plan to get home safely. Please do the right thing and only drive if you are sober."

Recently, Huron-Bruce MADD celebrated 31 years as a chapter dedicated to the mission to stop impaired driving and to support victims of this violent crime.

MADD Canada's red ribbons and car decals are available through the MADD Canada website, Chapters and community leaders.

For more information visit www.madd.ca



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Project Red Ribbon campaign kicked off in Goderich on Nov. 3. (L-R): OPP Provincial Constables Jamie Stanley and Craig Soldan, MADD Volunteers, McKenzie Jefferson, Linda MacDonald, Laurie Carroll, OPP Inspector Laura Lee Brown, and OPP Sergeant Russell Nesbitt.

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Citizen Recognition Awards at Goderich Town Council honour nine individuals

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In its third Citizen Recognition Awards night, nine people were recognised at the Nov. 2 Goderich Council meeting.

These nine individuals have contributed to the town by getting involved, volunteering, and strengthening the community.

Those recognised were Earl Pennington, Colleen McGregor, Barney Purser, Vicky Culbert, Doug Cruickshank, Kiara Markle, Ayub Khan, Brianna Rogers and Kirsten Berg.

"On behalf of Council and the Town of Goderich, it is my privilege to recognise nine outstanding individuals whose contributions have strengthened our community," stated Mayor Trevor Bazinet at the Nov. 2 meeting.

"People go above and beyond, no matter if its volunteering for service clubs or getting involved at an outdoor rink or picking up garbage down at our waterfront – those are a few great examples.

"It could be mentoring someone, it could be teamwork, it could be community pride, and this evening we acknowledge individuals whose actions have made a positive and lasting difference in Goderich."

Earl Pennington:

He is being recognised for his exceptional and longstanding volunteer service.

His leadership, hard work and generosity have made a lasting difference to community facilities, recreation and the people of Goderich.

Pennington was recognised for a very prestigious award this past year for the Kinsmen Club.

For anyone who knows Pennington, know that he's out doing all kinds of things in the community, volunteering numerous hours in the community.

Colleen McGregor:

McGregor is recognised for her dedication to environmental stewardship and community service. Through her efforts to protect local natural spaces and promote gardening and beautification, McGregor helps make Goderich a greener and more vibrant community.

McGregor is also a member of the Rotary Club of Goderich.

Barney Purser:

He is recognised for his generous volunteer service and commitment to community improvement.

Purser's willingness to lend a hand whenever and wherever he is needed reflects the absolute best of community spirit in the Town of Goderich.

Vicky Culbert:

She is recognised for her exceptional civic leadership and longstanding commitment to the Town of Goderich.

Through extensive volunteer service and involvement in local initiatives, she has helped and strengthened the community's heritage, culture and civic life.

Doug Cruickshank:

He is recognised for his commitment to the Town of Goderich and contributions to the community through his involvement in service clubs.

Cruickshank has demonstrated a strong sense of community pride and civic responsibility.

Kiara Markle:

She is recognised for her innovative approach to art, advocacy and community connection.

Through her creative work, Markle has raised awareness, inspired collaboration, and supported services for survivors in the community.

Ayub Khan:

He is recognised for his mentorship, supporting colleagues, and helping others succeed.

Through his guidance, teamwork, and encouragement has made a positive impact on this community.

Brianna Rogers:

She is recognised for the encouragement, guidance and support she provides to others.

Rogers helps people build confidence and feel valued, making a meaningful difference in their lives.



(CONTRIBUTED PHOTO)

Recipients with members of Goderich Council on Nov. 2 in council chambers. Recipients were Doug Cruickshank, Earl Pennington, Vicky Culbert, James Purser, Briana Rogers, Colleen McGregor, Kiara Markle, Kirsten Berg, and Ayub Khan. (Note: Not all recipients were present on Nov. 2)

Kirsten Berg:

She is recognised for her volunteerism and positive community spirit.

Her cheerful and dependable support at local events helps make Goderich a welcoming and vibrant place.

According to Mayor Bazinet, the Citizen Recognition Awards are a small way the Town Council and administration can recognise the efforts made to make Goderich what it is.

Bazinet expressed that without the nine recognised on Nov. 2 and the many more that have been recognised in the past three years, this community doesn't have a beautiful town to call home.

"The Town of Goderich is very fortunate to have the amount of service clubs that we have, the amount of people that volunteer numerous hours to do the things that they do to bring pride to our community, and even welcoming newcomers for that matter," remarked Bazinet.

"I'm proud of the that we live in, and I think a lot of that has to do with the simple fact that we have so many wonderful volunteers who are willing to go above and beyond."

Mayor Bazinet presented with 2026 Isotope Catalyst Award

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large-scale clean electricity while supporting thousands of jobs.

"Continuing to develop clean energy is essential for meeting environmental goals, strengthening energy security, and ensuring future generations have access to dependable power," said Bazinet.

"Nuclear energy, alongside other clean energy technologies, will play a critical role in helping Ontario remain competitive while reducing emissions and supporting economic growth."

Bruce Power and NII continue to explore opportunities that extend well beyond electricity generation.

Initiatives such as advancing nuclear innovation, supporting workforce and skills training and exploring future clean energy technologies create high-quality jobs, attract new investment, strengthen local supply chains and encourage youth to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and skilled trades.

"For communities across Huron, Bruce and Grey counties that means long-term economic stability and opportunities for growth, while maintaining the position as a global leader in clean energy innovation," Bazinet remarked.

According to Bazinet, strong communities depend on strong infrastructure, and energy is a foundational part of that.

Investments in clean energy create jobs, attract businesses, support local services and generate economic benefits that be reinvested into communities.

For more information on nuclear innovation and clean energy visit https://www.nuclearinnovationinstitute.ca or https://www.brucepower.com

Weekend Quiz

By Jake Grant

1. How many times has Donald Trump been impeached?
2. What sport's lingo uses the term "Bonspiel"?
3. In the game of Battleship, how many hits does it take to sink the submarine?
4. Which actor bought the first Hummer made for civilian use?
5. What is the Minion's primary language called?
6. Lego originated from what country?
7. What is the tallest type of horse?
8. Which ocean does Bangladesh have direct access to?
9. In the beer world, what does the abbreviation IBU stand for?
10. Who is the "Father of Country Music"?

This week's answers are found on pg. 27

Recent substantial donations to MRI campaign push closer to new fundraising goal

KATHLEEN SMITH

Editor

In a recent announcement, the AMGH Foundation expressed gratitude for two generous donations that push closer to the new fundraiser goal of bringing an MRI machine to AMGH to serve the residents of Goderich and surrounding areas.

The Knights of Columbus Father Nagle Council 5420 presented members of the Magnetic Moments campaign with a $100,000 cheque made out to the Alexandra Marine and General Hospital (AMGH) Foundation.

This substantial donation is thanks to funds raised through Goderich Catch the Ace.

"We were so happy to provide this donation," said Knight John Glasier.

"People buying Catch the Ace tickets would stop me on the street and say, I know I never win, but I know it's going to a good cause."

The Dungannon Pro Rodeo Committee and Dungannon Agricultural Society donated $10,000 following their popular summer event.



(CONTRIBUTED PHOTO)

Members of the Knights of Columbus Father Nagle Council 5420 presented members of the Magnetic Moments campaign with a $100,000 cheque.



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Donation from Dungannon Pro Rodeo Committee and Ag Society (L-R): Vanda McNeil (Magnetic Moments), Susanne Pollock (Rodeo), Dan Kerr (Rodeo), Kelly Thomson (Rodeo), Leanne Drennan (Rodeo), Ang Brindley (Ag Society), Dan Hayden (Magnetic Moments), Rick Taylor (Ag Society), Jen Tucker (Ag Society) and Aric Brindley (Rodeo).



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Sun Reporter

A sweet addition to Huron Street: Honey facility approved

Central Huron Council has approved a zoning bylaw amendment allowing an existing building at 257 Huron Street in Clinton to be repurposed as a honey extraction, processing, packaging and storage facility.

The property will also include retail sales and beekeeping services as part of the operation.

Applicant Jonathan Cucksey, operator of Maitland Heights Apiaries, told council the facility will allow his business to expand and reach larger retail markets, including Sobeys and Loblaws.

"I want to access markets like Sobeys and Loblaws, and I have to have a CFIA-inspected facility in order to do that," Cucksey told council.

The proposed facility will process honey from Cucksey's existing apiary, which is located outside of Clinton. The zoning amendment does not permit bees to be kept at the Huron Street property.

The application initially raised concerns from neighbouring businesses, including Willy's Burger Bar and Bruce the Moose Mini Golf Adventure, about the potential attraction of honeybees, wasps and other insects.

The businesses requested additional information about the proposed operation, insect prevention measures and the suitability of the existing building.

In response, Cucksey provided council with details about his proposed operating procedures, including transporting honeycombs in an enclosed truck, unloading materials inside the building with the doors closed, maintaining proper sanitation and waste management, and taking steps to prevent insects from entering or escaping the facility.

During the meeting, Cucksey confirmed that he had spoken directly with the neighbouring businesses to discuss their concerns and the safeguards that would be put in place. Mayor Jim Ginn acknowledged the discussions as a positive step forward.

Cucksey also clarified that he does not intend to process honey for other beekeepers. He said maintaining control over the quality and treatment of his own hives is important to his operation.

Honey extraction typically takes place from mid-June until the second week of September. "I currently run about 300 hives, for instance this season, I harvested 17 barrels of honey off of the hives in each barrel, but it was 640 pounds, so its significate," Cucksey said.

The business also includes raising Queen Bees, which Cucksey said are in demand across Canada.

"Part of the business is about raising Queens, with the storefront I'll be using that to bring in the Queens, once they are collected and have them available for people to pick up. The Queens are in a small wooden container," Cucksey told council, assuring members the containers are secure, and the queens will not escape.

Following discussion, council approved the zoning amendment, replacing the property's existing special highway commercial zoning provisions with permissions for the proposed honey-related business.

Central Huron seeks MTO meeting, considers hospice delegation

Central Huron Council is seeking meetings with provincial officials on rural development applications and hospice services as the municipality prepares for the 2027 Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference.

Council supported submitting a delegation request to the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) for the 2027 ROMA conference. The proposed meeting would focus on the ministry's review and processing of development-related applications in rural areas.

Among the issues identified are application timelines, communication with applicants and municipalities, and opportunities to improve efficiency and predictability in the process. Council also expressed interest in pursuing a delegation regarding hospice services.

Staff were directed to seek updated information from the hospice, including the number of individuals who have been turned away, before moving forward with the request. Council also approved additional meetings as it prepares for the next term and the 2027 municipal budget.

A council orientation meeting is scheduled for Dec. 3, while a budget training and 2027 preapproval meeting is scheduled for Dec. 8. Council also directed staff to apply for Connecting Links funding for improvements at the intersection of Victoria Street and East Street, also known as County Road 13.

The additional meetings are intended to help council members become familiar with their responsibilities and municipal operations while preparing for the upcoming budget process.

Central Huron backs hosting 2029 Road Supervisors Trade Show

Central Huron Council is supporting a bid by the Huron County Road Supervisors Association (HCRSA) to bring the Association of Ontario Road Supervisors (AORS) Trade Show to the area in 2029.

Council recently received a report from Roads Manager Brady Nolan outlining the HCRSA's request for municipal support.

The HCRSA has approached AORS about hosting the 2029 event in Central Huron. The community has since been shortlisted as a potential host and must submit a formal proposal by Nov. 4, 2026.

According to the report, Huron County has successfully hosted the trade show several times in the past, with the event serving as an economic driver for communities throughout the county.

Hosting the event would, however, require additional time and responsibilities from Central Huron staff across various departments, as well as involvement from other lower- and upper-tier municipalities.

Additional municipal equipment time would also be required for setup and teardown if the application is successful.

There are no immediate financial implications associated with council's decision to support the application. Any additional costs or staff commitments would be determined if HCRSA is successful in securing the 2029 trade show.

Council's support aligns with Central Huron's strategic priorities of strong governance and economic development.

Central Huron Council considers sale of municipal iPads and phone

Central Huron Council is moving forward with plans to allow council members to purchase their current municipal iPads as the devices reach the end of their term.

The matter was brought before council in a report from IT Services Manager Cecil Coxen titled "Municipal Council Devices End of Term."

At a previous council meeting on Oct. 5, members expressed interest in purchasing their current iPads rather than returning them as the devices are scheduled to be replaced for the upcoming term of council.

Staff reviewed current asking prices on Kijiji and eBay to determine an estimated fair market value.

The municipal devices are Apple iPad 9th Generation models with 64 GB of storage, with comparable listings averaging approximately $300.

The report notes that the $300 figure is based on asking prices rather than confirmed sale prices and does not include accessories such as the keyboard cases provided with the municipal devices.

If approved, council members wishing to purchase their iPads would pay $300 to the municipality following a factory reset.

Council is also considering a request from outgoing Mayor Ginn to purchase the Samsung S23 FE municipal cellphone currently assigned to the mayor, along with its associated phone number.

The phone has been on a month-to-month contract since August 2026 and has been used for municipal business involving Huron County and emergency events. The number is not publicly listed by the municipality.

Comparable Samsung S23 FE devices have an average asking price of approximately $300, according to the report.

Council approval is required for both the transfer of the cellphone number and the sale of the device.

Before the phone is transferred or reset, municipal records stored on the device must be identified and preserved in accordance with the municipality's records retention policy.

All devices purchased by council members will be factory reset before leaving municipal control. They will be sold without an express or implied warranty and without ongoing municipal IT support once removed from the municipality's mobile device management system.

Council members wishing to purchase their devices must submit them to the IT Services Manager for the reset by Nov. 17, 2026. Exceptions are available for mem-

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bers serving on outside boards who arrange an alternate date with the Clerk.

Members purchasing devices will also be required to sign an acknowledgement confirming the terms of the sale.

The factory reset is intended to ensure municipal information is removed from the devices and to support the municipality's obligations under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA).

Strong 2026 summer paves way for expanded programming

Central Huron is looking to build on a successful 2026 summer programming season by increasing its events budget for 2027.

A report presented to council by Community Improvement Coordinator Angela Smith highlighted the municipality's 2026 summer events program, which featured 59 events across 10 different types of activities with a very large sum of participates.

The Destination Central Huron Committee prepared a summary of the season, including photographs, attendance figures and budget information. Staff members are recommending that the municipality increase the summer events budget from $15,000 in 2026 to $20,000 in 2027.

The additional funding would allow Central Huron to expand existing programming while introducing new opportunities for residents. One proposed addition is a partnership with Bluestone Wake Park, following a suggestion from Councillor Russo. Staff have contacted the business about offering youth wakeboarding opportunities.

Under the proposal, Bluestone Wake Park would provide 50 per cent off Learn to Wakeboard lessons and free equipment on Wednesday evenings during June, July and August. The program would be available to youth aged eight and older, with a maximum of 20 participants per session. The proposed cost is $7,800.

An increased budget would also allow the municipality to accommodate greater demand for Paint Nights, which exceeded the original budget because of additional participants, while also providing funding for additional advertising.

Other recommendations for the 2027 summer season include expanding musical programming and offering full-day programming by scheduling instructors and musicians back-to-back.

The municipality could also explore creating a calendar subscription link that would allow residents to automatically add Central Huron events to their personal calendars. Creating an easy way to access all events.

Staff are recommending that the municipality continue promotional efforts through signage, social media and other advertising, while confirming the event schedule and budget earlier to provide more time to secure instructors and musicians and promote the programs. The 2026 program came in under its approved $15,000 budget.

Instructor costs totalled $8,140, compared with an estimated $8,490, while advertising costs totalled $1,184. Overall program spending was $9,324.

Several programs were offered free of charge, including lawn bowling, drop-in baseball and adult yoga.

The Destination Central Huron Committee described the 2026 season as another successful summer of community programming, with activities providing opportunities for residents of different ages to participate and connect.

Council received the report for information, with the proposed $20,000 budget for the 2027 summer events season intended to build on the program's success and potentially introduce new activities such as wakeboarding and additional musical performances.

First impressions report shines light on Central Huron strengths and opportunities

A recent community assessment has highlighted Central Huron's welcoming downtown, accessibility and unique attractions while identifying several areas where improvements could be made.

Central Huron participated in the First Impressions Community Exchange (FICE), a Ministry of Rural Affairs program that pairs communities so trained volunteers can anonymously experience another community as first-time visitors.

Central Huron was paired with Minto, with visitors assessing areas including downtown appearance, businesses, services, tourism, wayfinding, public spaces and accessibility.

The report, presented to Central Huron Council by Community Improvement Coordinator Angela Smith, identified several positive features that visitors felt should be maintained.

The downtown was described as clean, colourful, welcoming and generally well maintained, with attractive flowers, historic buildings and parkettes receiving positive comments. Visitors also praised the accessibility of local storefronts, sidewalks, parking, curb-free access and public washrooms.

Public art, animated murals, the Giant Chair Tour and heritage attractions were identified as distinctive community assets. The availability of parking, helpful wayfinding, welcoming residents and the variety of essential services were also viewed positively.

The exchange also identified several areas for improvement.

One recommendation is to install clearer street-name signs at the main downtown intersection and review vehicle and pedestrian movements around the grocery store and pharmacy area.

The report also suggests improving the visibility of community entrances by addressing landscaping that may obscure signage and adding more visible directional signs for entrances and conservation areas.

Pedestrian safety was another area identified for attention. Visitors observed construction-related hazards, including construction debris, sidewalk parking and a poorly covered hole. The report recommends reviewing how worksites are delineated and how pedestrians are directed around construction areas.

Accessibility improvements were also suggested, including the installation of wheelchair-accessible picnic tables in central public spaces where visitors can sit and eat takeout.

Vacant properties were another focus.

The report recommends exploring beautification or interim uses for vacant lots near the municipal office, potentially through attractive fencing, seating or murals. Improving vacant storefront displays and façades was also suggested.

The visitors also recommended improving how residents and visitors learn about local events by installing a centrally located community events board or directory and increasing event visibility through the tourism website.

Tourism information was identified as another area for improvement.

The report recommends updating tourism booth references and improving maps by adding legends, numbered attractions, names, addresses and contact information.

Some map information was described as incomplete or confusing, particularly when distinguishing attractions within Central Huron from nearby regional sites.

The assessment also raised concerns about public washrooms and sharps safety. One visitor reported finding a discarded syringe in a public washroom where there was no sharps disposal container.

The report recommends reviewing public-washroom inspections and determining whether sharps containers are appropriate, while also improving awareness among local businesses about accessible public washrooms.

The community could also explore opportunities to attract additional sit-down restaurants, cafés and patios while working with businesses and economic development partners.

Employment gaps were also identified by residents during the exchange.

The report encourages Central Huron to continue improving storefront accessibility and promoting awareness of accessible amenities and inclusive customer service.

Finally, visitors recommended stronger promotion of local cultural and tourism attractions, including the School on Wheels Museum and animated murals, as well as ensuring digital tourism experiences and information are functioning reliably.

The municipality received the report for information. The FICE assessment concluded that many of Central Huron's existing community improvements are visible and appreciated by visitors, while providing a list of practical opportunities for the community to build on those successes.

Mayor Ginn looks back on 23 years of municipal service

The November 2 meeting marked Mayor Jim Ginn's final regular meeting of Central Huron Council following 23 years of municipal service, including 16 years as Mayor and four consecutive terms in the position.

During his closing remarks, Ginn reflected on his time working with council and municipal staff, highlighting the respectful working relationships and teamwork within the municipality. He said one of the municipality's greatest accomplishments has been having staff and council work together cohesively.

"Being that this is my last meeting on Central Huron Council, it's been the most enjoyable experience. I'm so impressed how well council gets along – the respect we have for each other," Ginn said.

Ginn also compared the working relationship in Central Huron with neighbouring communities.

"I feel very fortunate to be a Mayor in a Council that is respectful and operates with dignity."

Ginn thanked councillors, including Deputy Mayor Anderson and Coun. Lobb, who served alongside him throughout his 23 years on council.

He also recognized municipal staff for their support and contributions throughout his tenure.

Facilities Manager Steve Duizer acknowledged Ginn's leadership, patience and commitment, noting the responsibility involved in leading a municipality and bringing people together to make decisions.

Staff also recognized Councillor. Dan Colquhoun, who was absent from the meeting due to illness, for his 28 years of municipal service with the former Town of Clinton and the Municipality of Central Huron.

As a gesture of appreciation, both departing members were presented with reproductions of watercolour paintings by local artist Lonny Doherty.

Ginn's painting featured the Maitland River, while Colquhoun's depicted Clinton Raceway. Staff noted how Colquhoun's attendance was heavily influenced at Clinton Raceway and several sporting events surrounding Clinton.

The municipality will officially welcome its incoming council at the inaugural meeting scheduled for Nov. 16.

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A history of Goderich: From the late 1930s through the 1940s

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Editor

From the 1930s until the early 1940s, this era stole the youth and innocence from the people in Goderich, who were subjected to struggle, hunger, uncertainty and soon, a dark weight of grief that would wash over from the sacrifices made during the Second World War.

The day Canada officially declared war was on September 10, 1939, and already, Huron County had suffered its first fatalities of the war when the passenger ship S.S. Athenia was torpedoed by a U-Boat on its way home from England on September 3. Frederick Weir of Goderich and Thornton Mustard of Brucefield were among the war's first fatalities.

Across the county, recruiting rallies yielded dozens of young men. Their names were reported with pride in the local papers.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheardown of Goderich had four sons enlist for overseas service in September (a fifth would join at age 18 later in the war).

According to David Yates, local historian and author, the last week of 1939 was an eventful one in Huron County.

The Brussels Post reported that the 'European Situation was tense' and warned that before the issue reaches its readers, the country may be at war.

Events in Europe were about to disrupt rural Huron County life as the 1939 Labour Day weekend was the last long weekend of peace for the next six long years.

Locally, the county was anticipating war and in July and August, Wingham's 99th field battery of the Royal Canadian Artillery had been engaged in prolonged exercises.

At war's outset in 1939, among the Goderich men known to enlist included Lieutenant Kenneth Hunter, Donald Thompson, Mariner William Duckworth and siblings.

No matter how brave, those who landed in Dieppe were slaughtered from fire from cliffs on three sides. Few made it to the seawall, let alone entered the town, which was their objective.

The carnage on the beach was enough to instill pity from even the Germans who assisted Canadian wounded like Private William Duckworth. Other Goderich captives were Private Ross Pennington, Lance Corporal Donald Thompson, and Lieut. Kenneth Hunter.

Altogether, about 1,900 Canadians were captured and marched off to German prison camps where they suffered the indignity of having their hands cuffed behind their back for almost a year.

According to Yates, many argue the Dieppe raid was worth the cost of over 900 dead as it taught the allies valuable lessons.

Throughout this period, war time precautions were evident everywhere. A six-man armed guard detachment had already been posted the week before at the Goderich, Seaforth and Wingham armouries.

The Seaforth and Goderich companies of the Middlesex and Huron Regiment was ordered to turn in their uniforms and arms for troops immediately heading for Europe.

Although Canada had not yet officially declared war, there was no doubt that Canada was on a war footing after Britain declared war on September 3, 1939.

News of the wars was received calmly, and anyone who had not heard the King George VI speech on the radio could read copies of it in local newspapers, seeing how His Majesty asked his peoples to 'stand firm and united' against Nazi aggression.

Efforts were being made far from the front lines of battles in Europe.

In May 1939, airport manager and county clerk J.M. Roberts, reported that after talks with government officials, he believed a big joint plant for air and military training was possible at Sky Harbour in Goderich.

In June, future Minister of Munitions, C.D. Howe, visited Goderich to inspect the airfield for a future training base, and Sky Harbour would soon be one of four British Commonwealth Air Training Plan bases in Huron County.

This was predicted to be Huron County's great contribution to Canada's war effort. It was soon announced that by June 1940, $1 million would be earmarked for an air navigation school in Port Albert as part of the training plan.

Construction on both sites would begin immediately, as there was no time to lose as the fate of western civilisation stood in the balance.

It was in 1939, by September's end, the county had mobilised for war.

Patriotic rallies, Red Cross Societies, legions and fraternal organisations had efficiently organised for the struggle to come.

According to Yates, there were dark years ahead, and after 1940, Canada and the Commonwealth stood alone against Nazi tyranny.

It was in 1940 the grim urgency of the war situation was clearly understood.

Eventually, with the opening of the radar school in Clinton in 1941 and Centralia's Service Training Flight School in 1942, Huron County would soon host four bases.

These bases were a testament to the home-front's determination to fight the war.

During these training sessions, Yates explains that locals complained of low flying aircraft buzzing the beaches, chasing cattle and hydro wires being cut. There were also tragedies that claimed dozens of young fliers' lives who were stationed in the area.

For 13 Commonwealth airmen who lost their lives while stationed here, no monument has marked their final resting place.

By the end of the war, thousands of airmen had trained at one of the bases, including Sky Harbour in Goderich, which turned out to be a great contribution to the war effort.

August 19, 1942, was one of the darkest days in Canadian history. The valor of the Canadians involved in the Dieppe raid on the Nazi occupied port town does not diminish the extent of the disaster that took place there.

Of the approximately 6,100 troops (5,000 Canadians, 1,000 British) who landed only about 2,200 returned to the UK and many were wounded.

Several of those who endured the Dieppe debacle were from Goderich and surrounding areas.

Artefacts stand as physical reminders of the local sacrifices and wartime efforts. These items are proudly displayed to tell those stories at the Huron County Museum in Goderich.

One of those items hangs in the Legion, and tells the story of the HMCS Goderich, which was one of over 50 Bangor class minesweepers commissioned for the Royal Canadian Navy during the Second World War.

All that remains of His Majesty's Canadian Ship (HMCS) Goderich is her brass bell that hangs mute in a corner of Legion Branch 109.

It remains a symbolic tribute to the spirit of unity in Goderich during wartime.

In February 1944, the Goderich Signal Star warned that when this war is won, many Canadian families will welcome a British sister or daughter-in-law into the family circle.

By 1947, 48,000 young women, many with babes in arms, reunited with their ex-servicemen husbands and a chance at a new life in Canada.

By the end of 1944, the first war brides trickled into the local area.

The end of the war was expected any day in the spring of 1945. The air training base in Port Albert was closed in February, and the Sky Harbour in Goderich was closed the previous year.

Late afternoon on Monday, May 7, 1945, Goderich first learned of the victory over the radio, but heavy rains dampened any attempts of celebrations.

The next morning, Goderich went all-in for Victory Day when the town awoke to car horns blaring.

Flags appeared on every porch, storefront or lamp post. Shops and schools were closed for the day.

From morning to late at night, crowds gathered on the Square to celebrate while the bells of the courthouse and churches rang out throughout the day.

A huge bonfire at the head of Hamilton Street burnt effigies of Hitler and Mussolini.

By Sunday, the town adopted a more sombre mood, and commemorative services were held to honour locals who made the supreme sacrifice.

Despite the end of the war, there was underlying apprehension, according to Yates.

Unlike the Great War's end, no one believed they had fought the war to end all wars. At this point, two consecutive generations of Canadians were called upon to make horrific sacrifices.

Fears of the Soviet Union's designs on Europe, atomic weaponry and the collapse of old empires ushered in a new and uncertain world.

In August 1945, the Signal Star editor reminded readers that in jubilation in victory also comes loneliness and sadness in many a home, to which tragedy of the war had come.

A sentiment expressed by many was the hope that with the end of the Second World War, may there never be another.

This is an ongoing series of historical features to tell the story of Goderich, in each issue of the Goderich Sun, from June 2026 until June 2027, in anticipation of its bicentennial.



United Way launches Ultimate Burger Battle in Huron County, proceeds address community needs

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Editor

United Way Perth Huron (UWPH) invites burger lovers to dig in and make a difference this November by supporting the Ultimate Burger Battle in Huron County.

The restaurants competing this year include three in Goderich – Part 2 Bistro, Steve and Mary's OTS, and Local Rolla – as well as the new Grand Bend Stirling Sands Vineyards, Dave's Pub/ Oakwood Inn (Grand Bend), The Honest Llama (Exeter), The Tipsy Pelican (Grand Bend) and the White Squirrel Golf Club (Zurich).

This event brings customers to local eateries while raising funds for pressing needs. According to UWPH, for every burger sold, $2 goes to UWPH, supporting programs and services helping vulnerable people in the community.

According to Michelle Millar, UWPH Senior Manager, Community Development, Mid-Huron, the Ultimate Burger Battle is an opportunity for restaurants to get creative and build something their customers will love, while helping the community's needs.

"We're inviting burger enthusiasts from across Huron County to try the creations our great local restaurants have come up with and vote for their favourites," explained Millar.

"It's a fun and tasty competition that also helps United Way."

Participating restaurants will vie for two awards – The People's Choice Award (fan favourite burger chosen by customers) and Most Burgers Sold (restaurants that sells the most during November).

For more details visit perthhuron.unitedway.ca

Restaurants interested in participating can contact Millar at mmillar@perthhuron.unitedway.ca



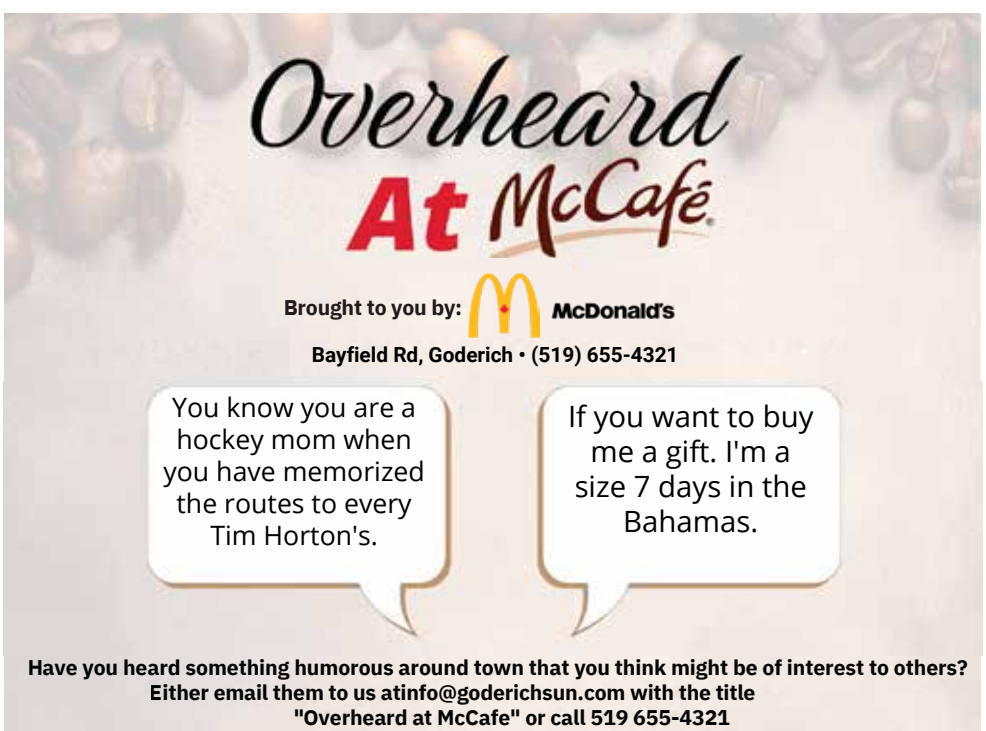
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The Ultimate United Way Beef Cheeseburger at Part 2 Bistro in Goderich.

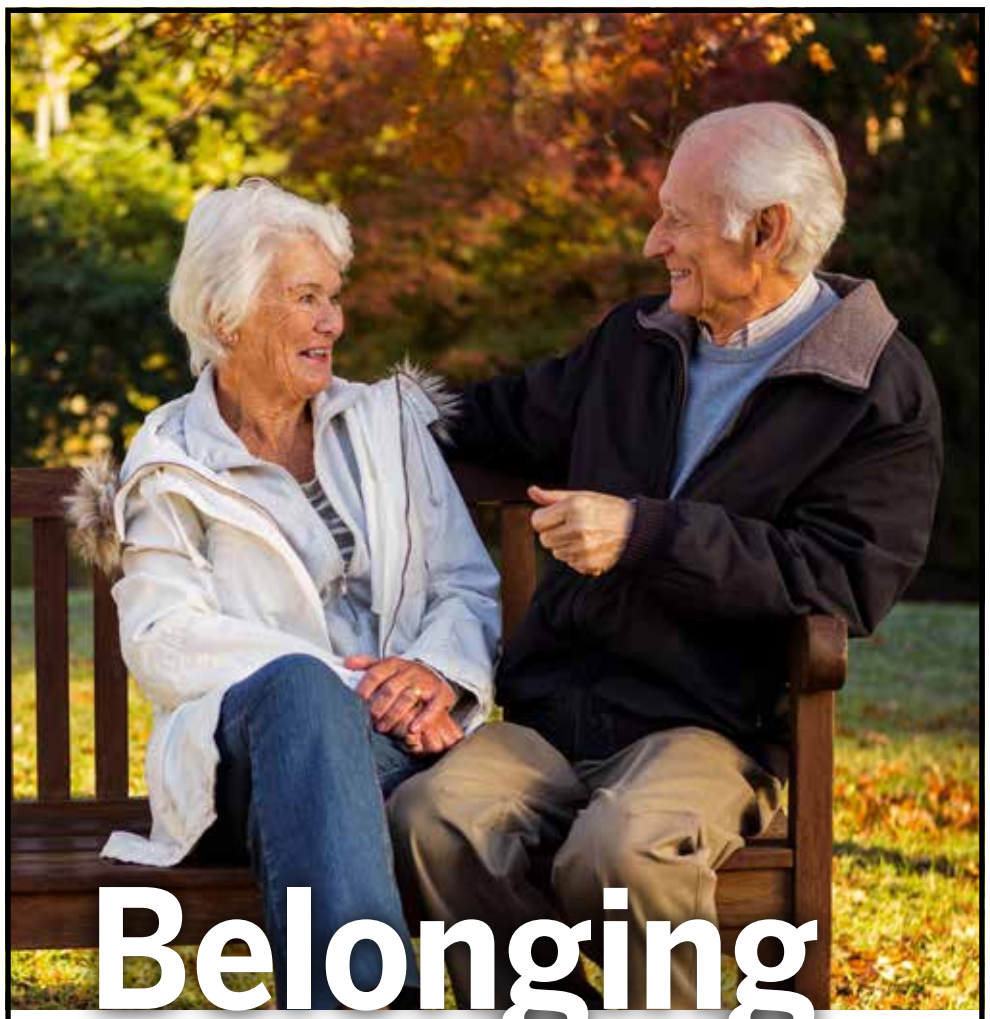


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The Longhorn Roundup Burger at Steve and Mary's OTS.







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Award-winning Tia McGraff to perform in Brucefield

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In conjunction with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, the Fields of Faith Growing Project will host an afternoon concert on November 15.

Brucefield Community United Church welcomes locals to an afternoon of music from award-winning singer-songwriter Tia McGraff.

A Canadian roots-based, singer-songwriter, McGraff incorporates blues, country and Celtic undertones into her folk music.

After winning the Canadian Open Country Singing Contest at the age of 19, this small-town girl from Port Dover began making TV appearances with Johnny Cash and June Carter. She also wrote and recorded with musical icons Randy Bachman (BTO) and Dan Hill, placing songs with Anne Murray's publishing company, and singing national anthems for the Blue Jays, Toronto Maple Leafs, Tampa Bay Rays and Nashville Sounds.

Known for her emotionally charged music and her authentic personality, McGraff topped charts on both sides of the Atlantic and some of her early singles crossed over to reach the Christian Music Weekly's Top 25.

Although her recorded catalog is a proud accomplishment, McGraff truly shines in her live performances.

The November 15 concert in Brucefield will raise funds to help feed the hungry around the world, in conjunction with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, which is a partnership of 15 Canadian churches and church-based agencies. It has been deemed one of the top 10 charities in Canada with regards to how donation dollars are spent.

With a modest donation in 1987, the Fields of Faith Growing Project has expanded to include representatives from Clinton, Brucefield, Seaforth, Brussels, and Blyth United Churches. The project has spanned 39 years, always dedicated to help end world hunger.

As of last year, the amount donated in 39 years totalled $393,152.27, with continued Federal support, generally matching funds at the rate of 4:1. This means that for nearly four decades, $2 million from this one project have been used by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to alleviate hunger for many parts of the world.

Tickets for award-winning singer Tia McGraff at Brucefield United Church on Sunday, November 15 at 2 p.m. are a bargain at only $25 per person.

Contacts 226-378-4239 or 519-482-9265 for tickets or attend early and get tickets at the door.



(CONTRIBUTED PHOTO)

Tia McGraff will play an afternoon concert at Brucefield United Church on Sunday, November 15 and proceeds will go towards Canadian Foodgrains Bank to alleviate hunger for many parts of the world.

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Invasive Species: How do invasive species spread?

RENEE SANDELOWSKY and HELEN VAREKAMP

Sun Contributors

According to Canada's Federal-Provincial-Territorial Biodiversity Working Group, "the key to dealing with invasive species is to **identify the pathways** of introduction - the routes they take to spread to new areas - and cut them off."

There are two main ways invasive plants spread in our environment. There are natural pathways, such as wind, water, and animals. And there are human pathways.

• Horticultural trade: Many invasive species are still being sold at your local garden centre. Studies from around the globe, and confirmed by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, indicate that the **ornamental/horticultural pathways are THE PRIMARY ROUTES** for invasive plant introductions. Research plants before you buy them and request non-invasive or native plants at your garden centre.

• Shipping: It is theorized that the Asian long-horned beetle and Emerald ash borer were accidental hitchhikers in wooden shipping pallets.

• Recreation: Hiking, biking and boating can spread seeds, as could moving firewood. Clean off mud and plants from RVs, pets, hiking boots and any equipment before returning home. Stay on trails while hiking so as not to spread invasive species. And don't move firewood. Burn where you buy.

• Agriculture/forestry and construction: Machinery can become shelters for invasive species and spread them.

• Travel/tourism: Invasive species can hitchhike on vehicles, boats, clothing, luggage, or pets, or could be intentionally brought in from other areas.

• Pond and Aquarium Trade: Some species escape or are intentionally disposed of into river systems. Never release aquarium or pond plants or fish into the wild. Return them to the store or learn how to dispose of them properly.

• Landscaping: Dispose of your yard waste responsibly through municipal collection or designated bins. Never dump yard waste in parks, ravines or natural areas.

It's important to note that a staggering 60 per cent of invasive plant introductions have been deliberate. And a significant 83 per cent of these invasive plants, once imported for horticultural use, remain commercially available.

Alarmingly, 97 per cent of these invasive species are expected to expand their range as climate change alters ecosystems. The current trends in horticulture not only perpetuate, but are set to accelerate the spread of invasive species.

Prevention is the most cost-effective control for invasive plants. Consider supporting the Canadian Coalition for Invasive Plant Regulation at www.ccipr.ca

Their mandate is to regulate the sales of invasive plants at Nurseries/Garden Centres. Also, have a good look at your own garden to determine if it is time to make some positive changes by replacing species that are now showing up on invasive plant lists.

Renee Sandelowsky & Helen Varekamp are volunteers for Canadian Coalition for Invasive Plant Regulation

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Behind the scenes of what's to come this Christmas and holiday season

PAMELA CLAYFIELD

Sun Correspondent

Walking into the dollar stores feels like walking into the North Pole. Halloween was stripped in the wee hours after trick or treaters were snug in their beds.

You know what the red and green is bringing us and, though we just had Remembrance Day, many minds have already turned to all the preparations necessary for the most wonderful time of the year.

Bulletin boards and social media posts have already been showing us announcements for fundraisers, coat and to drives and a myriad of other events.

Events right around the corner include a craft and baking sale at Sunset Golf Course this Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Next Saturday, November 21 at 6:30 p.m., dress warm and come out for the tree lighting, music and the Santa Claus Parade which will start at 7:15 p.m.

Sunday, November 22 at 3 p.m. brings the Sound of Goderich at Lakeshore United Church.

No matter whether we're ready or not, it's already transforming all around us.

Take a breath, then dive in.

Outgoing council closes term with recognition, grants and future planning

PAMELA CLAYFIELD

Sun Correspondent

The Town of Goderich's final council meeting of the 2022-2026 term focused on celebrating community contributions, securing funding for key projects and laying groundwork for future initiatives.

Council recognized nine residents with Citizen Recognition Awards for their contributions to the community: Ayub Khan, Barron James Purser, Briana Rogers, Colleen McGregor, Doug Cruickshank, Kiara Markle, Kirsten Berg, Vicky Culbert and Earl Pennington.

Members also welcomed news of two major grant approvals.

Bruce Power awarded the Town $75,000 through the Regional Municipal Readiness Assessment Fund to support an archaeological assessment for the Mitchell Street Industrial Park project.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities approved $36,000 toward an ecological health assessment of the Maitland Woods, River Valley and Shoreline Bluffs.

Council also approved a new Wayfinding and Signage Study aimed at improving navigation for residents and visitors. Recommendations include a five-year implementation plan to be considered by the incoming council.

The newly elected Town of Goderich council will be officially inaugurated on November 16.

Sunsets of Goderich



Dog days of summer are over as Vegas enjoys a sunset over Lake Huron in Goderich in late October. (JUDI ZELAZNY PHOTO)

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I Am Huron: A police services volunteer and agricultural leader who is fulfilling a family legacy and giving back to Huron County

MAJA ROMANO

Sun Contributor

When Maksym first arrived in Huron County in May 2017, he was stepping into a new country, a new community, and a new way of life. Nearly a decade later, Huron County is home for Maksym, his wife, and their two young children.

Originally from Ukraine, Maksym grew up in a small village before studying microbiology and biotechnology at university in Kyiv. He later worked as a production manager in a pharmaceutical company, producing antibiotics and other medications.

His path to Canada took several interesting twists and turns. After spending time working in Denmark and Norway, an opportunity to work in Canada came along. There was also a personal connection to the country: Maksym's great-grandfather had once planned to immigrate to Canada.

"My great-grandfather, he was preparing to go to Canada years ago, but because the Soviet Union came, he was sent to Siberia where he died, and the family just stayed in Ukraine. So, I don't know, maybe [it's a] kind of continued family legacy," Maksym recounted.

After arriving in Huron County, Maksym began working on a farm near Belgrave while living in Wingham. His wife joined him about six months later, and together they spent two and a half years in Wingham before moving to Seaforth.

Six years ago, they bought a home in Clinton. For Maksym, the welcoming nature of the community was one of the first things that stood out.

"My English was broken and still is kind of," he said with a laugh. "But everyone who I met, they tried to help me, tried to understand what I needed. And that's amazing."

The support he and his wife received helped them find their footing. The family he worked for helped them navigate some of the practical challenges of settling in Canada, from finding a vehicle to figuring out paperwork. A job centre in Wingham also helped his wife find her first job.

Today, Maksym works in the agricultural sector in Dublin, where he has been employed for approximately eight years. He began working in a sow barn before moving into a finishing barn management role.

Over time, he took on greater responsibility, eventually becoming a production manager and more recently moving into a maintenance manager role, a position that better fits his family schedule.

Yet, Maksym's contribution to Huron County extends well beyond his work. About two years ago, he became involved with a local police auxiliary program after hearing about the opportunity from his wife, and it felt like a natural calling: his father had been in law enforcement for 27 years in Ukraine.



(CONTRIBUTED PHOTO)

Maksym first arrived in Huron County in May 2017 and has now been nominated for an I Am Huron award, which celebrates the contributions of immigrants and newcomers to Huron County's communities.

According to his police colleague, who nominated Maksym for the I Am Huron campaign, "His fluency in multiple languages has been invaluable during calls for service and interactions with residents and visitors alike. He is known among officers as a dependable, dedicated, and highly engaged member of the auxiliary team."

To date, Maksym has contributed approximately 400 volunteer hours to the program. For him, volunteering with the auxiliary has been an opportunity to connect with the community in a different way.

"They say that first time you sit in a cruiser, you will love it. And that's what happened with me," he recalled.

He especially enjoys community events involving children, including the popular Touch-a-Truck events and bike rodeos. Seeing children excited about police vehicles, stickers and sirens is a highlight. He adds his young son is proud to see him in the role.

The experience has also given Maksym a better understanding of policing and the challenges faced by the community. As an auxiliary member, he sees an important role in building positive relationships between police and residents.

"A big part of us as an auxiliary unit is communicating with community, showing up and showing a positive image" he noted.

Maksym has also supported others interested in joining the auxiliary program and has helped newcomers navigate some of the steps involved in settling into Huron County.

As his police colleague notes, "Maksym is a humble and hardworking individual who may not fully realize the positive impact he has made throughout Huron County. His service, his generosity and his unwavering commitment to his community are deeply respected and appreciated by the members of the Huron County OPP Detachment."

As a farm maintenance manager, Maksym relies on his colleagues, a group of international workers.

While Maksym says he initially needed people to work alongside him to ensure the farm operations went smoothly, the relationships have grown into something more meaningful. Through work and everyday life, Maksym has developed friendships with people from a variety of backgrounds, including Cuba and the Philippines.

"I really enjoy learning from them," he reflected. "You can learn about our world from people who live here because they're from everywhere."

Looking back on his journey, Maksym is struck by how unexpected it all seems. He and his wife were married 10 years ago. Today they are raising two children in Clinton, building a life in a community that was once completely unfamiliar.

He is grateful for the opportunities that brought him here and for the people who helped him along the way.

"I'm glad that I'm here," he said.

"I'm glad that I have all my documents done, I can be in this community, meet new people and hopefully give back a little bit."

The I Am Huron awards celebrate the contributions immigrants and newcomers to Canada make in Huron County's communities. Nominations are received from the community, reviewed by a committee with lived experience of immigration, and awarded at a ceremony.

The project is funded with support from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

For more about this campaign, visit: https://www.huroncounty.ca/i-am-huron/

Maja Romano is a Huron County Immigration Partnership volunteer

Goderich Duplicate Bridge Club Results

Robert McFarlane directed the club on October 27.
NORTH/SOUTH:
1st – John Davies and Garth Sheldon – 63.30%
2nd – Mary Lapaine and Joan Lounsbury – 58.63%
3rd – Michele Hansen and Greg Bowman – 55.06%
4th – Doug Elliott and Alje Kamminga – 54.76%

EAST/WEST:
1st – Cal Scotchmer and Evy McDonagh – 66.40%
2nd – Shirley Thomas and Tom Rajnovich – 64.29%
3rd – John Archbold and Pamela Raab – 55.82%
4th – Keith Allen and Bob Dick – 49.74%

Bob Dick directed the club on November 3.
NORTH/SOUTH:
1st – Michele Hansen and Greg Bowman – 59.72%
2nd – Mary Lynne Telford and Paul Spittal – 56.02%
3rd – Graham Yeats and Brian Reeve – 55.32%
4th – Terry Fry and Marj Stuart – 54.63%

EAST/WEST:
1st – John Archbold and Doug Elliott – 61.81%
2nd – Joyce McIlwain and Kay King – 56.25%
3rd – Cal Scotchmer and Evy McDonagh – 53.94%
4th – Stephen Jacob and John Legate – 52.08%

The Goderich Duplicate Bridge Club meets every Tuesday at 12:45 p.m. at the Christian Reform Church on Mill Road.
If interested in playing, the club welcomes new members. If you have a partner, arrive and play. If you need a partner, the club will do its best to find someone from the spare list.
For more information call Club President Michele Hansen at 519-441-3275 or visit the website at https://bridgewebs.com/goderichbridge/home.html

Trail Talk: Colourful trails this time of year in Huron County

PATRICK CAPPER

Sun Contributor

At this time of year, there are many colourful leaves on the trails. Quite often I only realise a species of tree close to the trail when I see the leaf or the nut lying on the trail.

One leaf that caught my eye reminded me of the symbol used years ago for the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, also known as a peace sign.

The warm weather in early November has meant that many Sulphur butterflies are still flying around. It was first time I saw a butterfly nectaring on a Common Evening Primrose.

In my last Trail talk I mentioned seeing a Compton Tortoiseshell Butterfly and an Amobia at Bender House.

However, I was mistaken according to the experts at iNaturalist.

The butterfly was a California Tortoiseshell, which did not even get a mention in the book Butterflies of Ontario and Eastern Canada, even though the book included a Weidemeyer's Admiral due to one sighting in 1960 at Rainy River. When looking at the iNaturalist map for California Tortoiseshells, which are usually seen on the west side of North America, there have been about a dozen observations of it in Ontario in the last few years. The Amobia was renamed as a typical Flesh fly.

On October 24 the annual "Wildwood Challenge" hike was held by the Avon Trail Association. About 100 hikers enjoyed a route of 22 km through the Wildwood Conservation area near St Marys. It was a nice cool sunny day on a well-marked trail, with two rest stops along the way, well supplied with home baked treats.

Every half kilometer there was an "Emergency Response Station" post, so that a hiker or cyclist could be easily located. The hikers met quite a few cyclists along the way, indicating that this was a popular trail for cyclist who all must cycle the trail in a clockwise direction.



(CONTRIBUTED PHOTO)

Fork-tailed Katydid.

Living in a rural spot at the edge of Clinton means that you never know what you might see inside or near the house. Recently we had a fork-tailed Katydid climbing up the kitchen wall. I don't know if it hitched a ride on Thyra, Koda or me. I released it back into the garden.

Another visitor was a Bruce Spanworm moth that was resting on our front door.

NOTE:

The first week of Deer Gun Hunting is from Monday, November 30 to Sunday, December 6 so most of the Maitland Trail will be closed. The Millennium, Maitland Woods, Sifto and G2G trails will remain open.

The access from David Street to the Bayfield Woodland Trail is closed until spring, but the trail can still be accessed via the Sarnia Street entrance. The whole trail is closed from December 13-18.

EVENTS:

Saturday, November 14 from 9 – 10:30 a.m. - HIKE Morris Tract to Benmiller: This is a scenic, river-view section of the Maitland Trail through Falls Reserve Conservation Area, past Benmiller Falls and into the hamlet of Benmiller.

Meeting Location: Roadside pullover just north of the bridge on Benmiller Line.

Transportation: Carpool to the trailhead at 36833 Londesboro Road and Morris Tract Line.

Difficulty: Level 1-2 Pace: Moderate to brisk.

Terrain: Flat and hilly sections, stairs and uneven footing.

Annual Waiver: Complete the MTA Annual waiver Pre-register with Susan Ethelston at susan.ethelston@gmail.com

Saturday, November 21 from 9 – 11 a.m. - HIKE| Morrison Dam and MacNaughton-Morrison Trails: Enjoy scenic views along the Morrison Dam reservoir system and the MacNaughtonMorrison Trails.

Meeting Location: Morrison Dam Conservation Area, 71108 Morrison Line, Exeter.

Parking: South side of the dam.

Distance: Approximately 8 km.

Difficulty: Level 1 Pace: Moderate to brisk.

Terrain: Some uneven surfaces, no significant hills.

Annual Waiver: Please complete the MTA Annual waiver in advance.

Pre-register with Patrick Capper at pcapper99@gmail.com. arrive. Note this hike will be led by Patrick and not Susan as was in the MTA Newsletter.

Saturday, November 28 at 11 a.m. - Mindfulness Walk and Forest Therapy: Meet at the Millenium Trail in Goderich, Nelson Street entrance. Designed for those who want the benefits of meditation but prefer to move. We'll be moving slowly and silently together for 20 minutes to the first river lookout where we'll stop to chat about the benefits of mindfulness and forest therapy, enjoy the beautiful vistas of the Maitland River, and head back to the entrance - maybe hug a tree on the way out.

Please leave your pets at home; dogs are already very Zen.

For more information and to confirm your attendance, please contact Tanya at redroofrecovery@gmail.com or text 519-616-3636. This is a level 1, slow paced meditative walk.

NOTES:

The Maitland Trail between Londesboro Road and Little Lakes Road remains closed due to a landslide.

Tuesday Trompers meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday to hike for about an hour. If you wish to be on this email list, send an email to mta@maitlandtrail.ca

Midweek hikers meet at 9 a.m. and hike for 1.5 to 2 hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Contact Patrick Capper at pcapper99@gmail.com

LIFE hikers meet every Friday for a hike of about 1.5 hours, with a choice of pace, striders moving a little faster than the strollers. The hikes now start at 9 a.m. and can be joined through ONE CARE.





Choosing Grace: The quieting of the year

PAMELA CLAYFIELD

Sun Correspondent

November felt like it snuck in the back door this year.

The weather was warm and sunny for the first few days making its arrival easy to overlook.

By now, many more leaves have fallen, the rain arrived bringing a sharper chill, and the world seems to have settle into a quieter rhythm.

After the colour and energy of autumn, November feels like a pause — a moment between seasons where everything slows down for a beat.

This time of year, there's a calm before the preparations begin. The evenings come early almost encouraging us to rest.

The mornings are brighter but feel still, inviting reflection. Even the landscape seems to exhale, preparing itself for winter's long sleep.

November reminds us that slowing down isn't a failure — it's a natural part of life's rhythm. We don't have to match the pace of summer or the brightness of early fall.

We can let ourselves soften, breathe, and ease into the quieter days ahead, at least for right now.

As the year begins its gentle descent, may we welcome the quiet.

May we find comfort in the stillness.

And may we remember that grace often arrives when we give ourselves permission to rest.

For Better Mental Health: The freedom of feeling it all



TANYA MACINTYRE, RED ROOF RECOVERY

Sun Contributor

I pursued a career in journalism, only to discover that often editorial decisions were often influenced by the interests of owners and advertisers, rather than integrity or public interest.

As a broadcast journalist, I sometimes felt I was helping perpetuate what I now call the FUD Factor: Fear, Uncertainty and Doubt.

In the 1990s, it was routine to stigmatise drug addiction and associate it with crime. It was also the decade when my own addictions were progressing rapidly.

Even then, I questioned the logic of prohibition. I could see how criminalising drugs created lucrative markets for organised crime, fueled violence, and did little to address the underlying reasons people were using substances problematically.

More than 25 years later, we are still debating the consequences of prohibition, criminalisation, and the need for evidence-informed drug policies that prioritise public health, safety, and human dignity.

But policy wasn't what ultimately changed my life. My relationship with alcohol and other drugs only began to change when I became willing to explore a more personal question: Why did I feel a need to chemically alter my internal experience?

I drank and used drugs when I had a bad day, felt anxious, or simply wanted to relax. Sometimes, even when life was going well, I wanted to make it feel better. Socialising often involves drinking or getting high. Gradually, changing how I felt became so automatic that I rarely stopped to consider what I was seeking.

And our culture certainly reinforces this behaviour. We're surrounded by messages encouraging us to consume substances to celebrate, unwind, escape stress, or reward ourselves. It's difficult to watch a movie or television series without seeing alcohol portrayed as an almost essential ingredient of relaxation and connection.

Anxiety, sadness, frustration, loneliness, and disappointment aren't necessarily signs that something is wrong with us. They're part of being human. Even happiness and excitement can feel uncomfortable when we're not accustomed to allowing ourselves to experience emotions fully.

Sometimes, we reach for something to avoid feeling bad. Other times, we reach for something to enhance feeling good. Both can become ways of avoiding the experience of simply being present.

I've been recovering from alcohol and other drug addictions for over 17 years. I certainly haven't mastered this human experience, but one of the greatest gifts this recovery has given me isn't simply the absence of harmful substances. It's the freedom to experience life without constantly needing to change how I feel.

That doesn't mean we have to enjoy every emotion or passively accept suffering. It means learning that discomfort isn't always an emergency, that emotions don't have to dictate our behaviour, and that we can develop healthier ways of responding to what life brings.

So, perhaps it's worth getting curious about our own patterns.

When you reach for a drink, a puff, a pill, or even your phone, pause and ask yourself: What am I hoping to feel? What am I trying not to feel?

Not because someone has told you to stop, because you've been labelled an addict, or because you're powerless. Simply because there may be a kind of freedom in discovering that you don't need to change how you feel to enjoy being alive.

Sometimes, better mental health begins when we stop trying to escape ourselves and start learning how to BE with ourselves.

If the questions feel heavy, you don't have to explore them alone. We have two support meetings happening in Goderich every week. Email me for details: tanyamacintyre@gmail.com.

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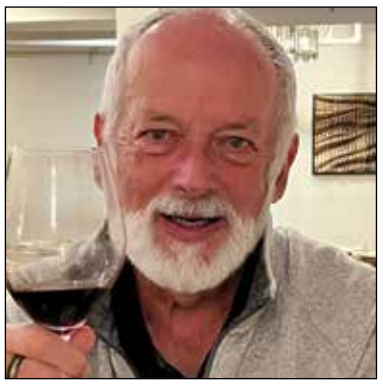
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OH, THE PLACES WE'LL GO: Controversial attraction re-opened in Baden



PAUL KNOWLES

Sun Columnist



The newest addition to the Prime Ministers Path in Baden – Nathan Scott's "The Unfortunate Four". Four Canadian Prime Ministers who served briefly in office – from left, Sir MacKenzie Bowell, Sir John Abbott, Sir Charles Tupper, Sir John Thompson. (PAUL KNOWLES PHOTO)

One of the most controversial visitor destinations in Canada is located about 10 minutes from my front door. It's the Prime Ministers Path, an installation of statues of Canadian Prime Ministers in Baden, Ontario. It has generated a ton of debate, which at one point resulted in the dismantling of the whole thing – the Prime Ministers were relegated to an unidentified storage unit. Then, this September, came the reestablishment of the installation.

The Prime Ministers Path was conceived in 2013, a plan that would eventually see sculptures of all Canadian Prime Ministers (currently numbering 24) exhibited in an outdoor setting.

The launch of the project took place in 2016. It's understandable that the first statue put in place was of Canada's first Prime Minister – Sir John A. Macdonald. But it's also understandable that this installation proved to be the most controversial, because of Macdonald's undeniably horrendous policies concerning Native Canadians.

Three more statues were added in 2017 – Robert Borden, William Lyon MacKenzie King and Lester B. Pearson – and Canada's first and only female Prime Minister, Kim Campbell, was added the next year.

But controversy was brewing, and as the nation became more aware of the horrors of Residential Schools and other national policies that had caused incredible harm to Native Canadians, protests erupted across the country, including in Baden. The statue of Macdonald attracted the most push-back, as protesters coated the sculpture in red paint.

By 2020, the local municipal council voted to remove all five statues and place them in storage in a secret location. But that action, too, prompted push-back from the community.

The most recently development has involved turning the project over to the original sponsor, Createscape Waterloo Region, which led the re-installation of the statues, plus a new work featuring four more Prime Ministers. The Path was re-launched in September of this year. As before, it sits beside Castle Kilbride, the National Historic Site which adjoins the Wilmot Township Municipal Office. But where once, Macdonald's statue stood at the front of the property, facing Snyder's Road, now, the orientation has been shifted 180%, with the Prime Ministers Path sign and Macdonald's sculpture facing north, onto Wagler Avenue.

So, is this all a good idea? Opinions about this will always be strong, and varied.

The Prime Ministers Path website openly admits that history is challenging. It contends that "History is complex," and adds "Understanding our history also means understanding how it has affected Canadians and how those Canadians perceive Canada's history."

I was never comfortable with the decision to dismantle the Path. In doing so, the very positive stories of Lester Pearson (who won the Nobel Peace Prize) and Kim Campbell (who broke the gender barrier) were shoved into dusty storage. But I am also not comfortable with glorifying Canadian politicians who have made horrible decisions, chief among them Macdonald and King.

Createscape says that they have worked with Indigenous groups in re-introducing the Path, and that the full, complex stories of these leaders will be told. That is crucial.

I think it highly appropriate that the statues of Macdonald and King were designed by their artists (local sculptor Ruth Abernethy for Macdonald and Morgan MacKenzie for King) to include seats for visitors. I know these will be treated as selfie spots for many, but I also hope that folks will sit and ask themselves (and the spirits of the late PMs) the tough questions. "Why did Macdonald decide to strip Indigenous people of their heritage?" "Why did King think it okay to send a shipload of Jewish refugees back to Germany, where most died in concentration camps?"

These are the reality of the history of these Canadian leaders – but as historians will tell you, the story is more complex, and we need to grapple with all of this. We recently did a walking tour in Kingston, Ontario, where our guide acknowledged the evils of Macdonald's tenure, but also insisted, "Without John A. Macdonald, there would be no Canada." And that is also, I suspect, the truth.

So, properly considered, the Prime Ministers Path presents a unique opportunity for visitors to consider – in fact, to confront – the complicated history of this country. Perhaps even to realize that the evils of the past created problems and challenges still calling for solutions, today. I hope that visitors will leave the Path with their heads fully out of the sand, and full of thoughts about the realities of Canadian history.

And – that this is an issue largely overlooked in the controversy – they will also have the opportunity to appreciate some very fine works of art. Ruth Abernethy, a Wilmot resident, (Macdonald and Pearson) has been made a Member of the Order of Canada for her work. Other artists represented here include MacKenzie (King) Nathan Scott (Borden), and Darren Byers and Fred Harrison (Campbell). As well, when the Path was re-opened, a terrific new piece was added – Nathan Scott's "The Unfortunate Four", four PMs who had short terms and lesser impacts on our history.

The plan is for the Path to continue to grow over the next four decades. I hope there will be thousands of meaningful conversations and personal reflections, sparked by this controversial but important installation.

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Canada's controversial first Prime Minister, Sir John A. Macdonald, sculpted by Ruth Abernethy.



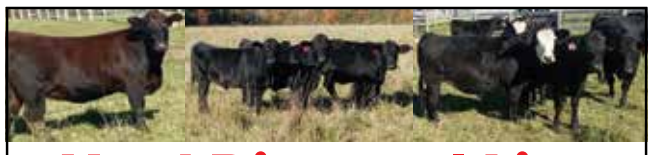
Morgan MacKenzie created the statue of William Lyon Mackenzie King, the Waterloo Region native who was Canada's longest-serving Prime Minister.

COMING EVENTS

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GODERICH CHESS CLUB
On Tuesday evenings from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Goderich Library in the activity room and Friday evenings from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Goderich Legion in the games room.
This club warmly welcomes all chess enthusiasts of any age to join. Whether a seasoned player or a newcomer eager to learn the game, this is the perfect opportunity to immerse yourself in the world of chess.
Participants may come and go as they please during this timeframe.
Admission is free and equipment will be provided.

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Thursday mornings from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at Lakeshore United Church, downstairs.
MacKay Choristers meet for a weekly, day-time community choir practice, directed by Linda Street.
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Make friends and practice speaking English while talking about culture, family, food, movies or anything you would like.
Hosted by the Huron Welcome Hub for Newcomers.

INDOOR FARMERS' MARKET
On Saturday, November 14 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Goderich Memorial Community Centre.
Join in the first indoor market of the season. Runs from November until end of May 2027.
To be a vendor contact Terry at 647-393-7841 or email ctcterry@hotmail.com

SEMINAR RESEARCHING WWI SOLDIERS AND SISTERS
On Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. at the Huron County Museum.

IODE CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR
On Saturday, November 14 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Sunday, November 15.
The IODE Maple Leaf Chapter is hosting their annual Christmas House Tour.
Guests tour five lovely venues that will be beautifully decorated by area businesses.
Proceeds will support the rehabilitation of the Menesetung Bridge.
Tickets are $25 cash and can be purchased at the IODE Consignment Shop, Goderich Library, Bee's Knees Books and Emporium, All Around the House, through IODE members, as well as sending an email to iodemapleleaf@gmail.com

THE ULTIMATE FIGHT EXPERIENCE
On Saturday, November 14 at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.
Huron BJJ is bringing high-level Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu right to Goderich, showcasing the talent, dedication and competitive spirit of athletes from across Ontario.
Enjoy a full night of live, amateur boxing, kickboxing and No-Gi BJJ.
General admission $50. Front row $70.
Visit https://hbjj.ticketbud.com/ufex4

HOLIDAY ART WORKSHOP: RUSTIC CHRISTMAS SIGNS
On Monday, November 16 from 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. at Boston Pizza.
Come craft your own reclaimed wood Christmas sign with guidance from Cara of Cara's Paint Box.
Spaces are limited, so secure a spot now.
Admission is $45, and RSVP.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND BAKE SALE
On Saturday, November 21 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church on Montreal Street.
New gifts, crafts, baking and gently used Christmas items.
Proceeds go to the local food bank and church repairs.
For more information contact Pat 519-524-7775.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS IN GODERICH
On Saturday, November 21 from 6:30 p.m. until 7:15 p.m. downtown Goderich.
Kick off the opening ceremony, followed by a few chilly Christmas performances.
At 7 p.m. enjoy the lighting of the Christmas lights throughout Goderich Courthouse Square, surrounding by family, friends and Christmas cheer.
Grab a free hot chocolate to keep you warm, while supplies last.
Admission is free.

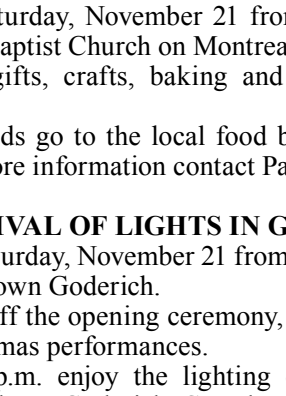
SANTA CLAUS PARADE
On Saturday, November 21 from 7:15 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.
Come down to Goderich Courthouse Square and witness what makes the Town of Goderich so full of love and community with the annual Santa Claus parade.
Admission is free.

BALL ROOM DANCING AND DEMONSTRATION
On Sunday, November 22 from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the MacKay Centre for Seniors in Goderich.
Join in a ballroom dancing and demonstration by Brenda Ball and James Buchanan, last year's Dancing with the Stars Champions.
No partner required.
Snacks, coffee and tea available.
Everyone is welcome. Admission by donation.
All proceeds go to the MacKay Centre for Seniors.

SOUND OF GODERICH
On Sunday, November 22 at 3 p.m. at Lakeshore United Church.
Join the Goderich Laketown Band, MacKay Choristers and special guests, Men of Huron.

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Riddles

Why did November bring a sweater to school?
Because things were getting a little chilly!

What is November's favourite type of music?
Anything with a good fall beat!

Why was the tree so embarrassed in November?
Because everyone could see its bare branches!

What did October say to November?
"You're next in line!"

Why don't leaves ever get lonely in November?
Because they always hang out in piles!

What's a snowman's favourite thing about November?
It's almost his time to shine!

Why did the scarecrow love November?
Because he was outstanding in his field!

What do you call a November day that can't make up its mind?
A little bit of fall and a little bit of winter!

Why did the calendar get nervous in November?
Because the year was running out of days!

What did one leaf say to the other in November?
"I'm falling for you!"

Sudoku

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Featured Pets



CHASE

Chase is an 8 year old Presa Canario. He loves laying in the sun, collecting sticks, and stealing peoples blankets. His favourite snack is banana. He's a Mama's boy and can often be found laying under my desk while I work.

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OBITUARY



HENRY: JANET LYNNE (ROCK) OF GODERICH

It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of Janet Henry (née Rock) on November 2, 2026, in Goderich, Ontario, at the age of 84. Born in South Porcupine, Ontario, on July 21, 1942, Janet spent her childhood in the North, developing a lifelong affection for family, friends and the great outdoors. Janet had a profound, unconditional love for her family. Janet is predeceased by her parents, Sam Rock and Newsham Hanneberry, her brother, Jim Rock, her brother-in-law Peter Henry, her beloved daughter Katherine and her son-in-law Reg Wilson. Janet is survived by her husband, Mike, her sister-in laws Lynne and Joan, her daughter, Kristine and cherished grandchildren Emily, Jacob and Noah. Janet recently spread her love and warmth further afield, welcoming Kristine's new husband, Chris, into the fold with open arms, along with his children, Matthew and Kayla. For decades, Janet was the official "garden overseer" at their home on Essex Street. In her final years, Janet's happiest moments were spent with Mike by the fire, sipping hot chocolate, watching the neighbourhood dogs walk by, and recounting happy family memories -often focused on grandchildren. Emily, Jake, and Noah will forever remember the endless bags of gummy worms she always kept ready for their visits, and her famous Christmas baking, in particular, her signature gumdrop loaf and cookies. Janet will be profoundly missed but forever remembered for her ready smile, kind spirit, and her love for her family. A private family service will be held at Maitland Cemetery to lay Janet's gentle soul to rest. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made in Janet's memory to the Salvation Army - Suncoast Citadel or the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Heartfelt thanks to the hospital team at the Alexandra Marine & General Hospital for their compassionate care. Family and friends may sign the book of condolences at www.haskettfh.com.

OBITUARY



MOORE: BONNIE LYNN "LYNN" (WOODS) OF GODERICH

Bonnie Lynn "Lynn" (Woods) Moore, 74, of Goderich, Ontario, passed away unexpectedly at home on October 23, 2026.Lynn was born on March 12, 1952, in Almonte, Ontario. Throughout her life, caring for others came naturally to her, whether they had two legs or four. She worked as a Registered Nursing Assistant and later as a Registered Veterinary Technician, and gave her time as a volunteer at the local animal shelter. Her love for animals was fierce and enduring, and she shared her life and home with many beloved companions.Lynn was also endlessly creative. An avid sewist and fibre artist, she especially loved knitting and quilting, creating beautiful things with patience, skill, and care. Above all, Lynn was a loving mother, sister, and friend. She was the beloved mother of Jennifer, Adam, and Douglas; daughter of Edna and Maurice Woods, and Hazel and Stewart Eady; and sister of Beth, Blair, Lois, Bethea, Norma, Wallace, Lloyd, Keith. Her cherished dogs, Wishus, Mycah, Abby, Desi, and Zuul, were an important part of her family and her life. A private service was held for Lynn's children. Family and friends will gather for a celebration of Lynn's life at a later date. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honour Lynn's memory are invited to make a donation to the Humane Society or a local animal shelter, a fitting tribute to someone whose love and compassion for animals were such an important part of who she was. "One to beam up, Scotty. Live long and prosper." Family and friends may sign the book of condolences at www.haskettfh.com.

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On Friday, November 27 at the Clinton Public Hospital (CPH) front entrance at 6:30 p.m.
Join in to take part in the 'Gift of Life' to help put a light on the CPH Christmas Tree.
Buy a ticket at admitting, or through CPH Auxiliary members.
Followed by refreshments and free draws.

CHRISTMAS TEA SOCIAL
On Saturday, November 28 from 12 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the MacKay Centre.
Gather friends together and join in a delightful afternoon of delicious teas, fresh scones, sandwiches and sweet treats.
There will also be door prizes and gift wrapping available by donation.
First sitting: 12 p.m. until 1:30 p.m.
Second sitting: 2:30 p.m. until 4 p.m.
Tickets are $25 per person and can be purchased by calling 519-524-6660.
All proceeds support the MacKay Centre for Seniors.

BEACH STREET STATION TOY DRIVE
On Sunday, November 29 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Beach Street Station in Goderich.
Come help spread extra cheer to local families this year, by participating in the toy drive in support of Salvation Army
Bring a new, unwrapped toy and receive a personalised Stella Artois glass as a thank you.
All toys collected will bring joy to local children and families this Christmas and holiday season.
Will also feature a roast beef dinner, $5 drafts of Stella and live music by local musician Matthew Hussey.
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30) SurfSup Eco Shop and Rentals
80A Courthouse Square

31) V'Sandwiches
108 Courthouse Square

32) River Line Nature Company
36 Kingston St.

33) Rexall
67 Kingston St.

34) Blake's Consignment Goderich
59 Kingston St.

35) Tribute Studios
60a East St.

36) Coldwell Banker Goderich
138 Courthouse Square

37) Wuerth Shoes
142 Courthouse Square

38) Sunset Blinds
144 Courthouse Square

39) MTG North
144 Courthouse Square Basement

40) Homescapes Paint & Design
150 Courthouse Square



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